January 6, 2022

RE: CARE, CRRSA, and ARP Performance Report

Dear Federal Emergency Relief Applicant Coordinators and Superintendents,

As we mentioned this morning during our monthly office hour, there has been some changes made to Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES), Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA), and American Rescue Plan (ARP) Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund Performance Report. The following changes are due to the information that was provided to the Maine Department of Education from the U.S. Department of Education this week.

Below, please find these changes highlighted:

- **DUE DATE:** The U.S. Department of Education has delayed the annual performance data collection for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund, which has allowed the Maine Department of Education to delay the ESSER performance report. The ESSER performance report is due by January 21, 2022 Friday, March 25, 2022.
- **REPORTING PERIODS:** The annual reporting periods should be completed based on activities in each State's Fiscal Year 2021 for ESSER I, ESSER II and ARP ESSER, respectively. States whose fiscal year starts prior to October 1 should report only on ESSER I activities from October 1, 2020 through the end of the State Fiscal Year 2021. The reporting period for projects and expenditures should reflect the following:

CARES ESSER I - October 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 CRRSA ESSER II – July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 ARP ESSER III – July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

OFERP is hosting walk-in office hours to assist in the completion of the ESSER Performance Report. If you have questions, please feel free to join us at any point within the walk-in office hours below:

- Mondays from 11:00am to 12:00pm on:
 - o January 3, January 17, January 31, February 14, February 28, and March 14, 2022
- Wednesdays from 1:00pm to 2:00pm on:
 - o January 12, January 26, February 9, February 23, March 9, and March 23, 2022

Please note that these performance report walk-in office hours are open to all! Please share this information with business managers, school leaders and individuals who might support the completion of the ESSER performance report. No appointment needed but you are required to register, which will provide you with connection information for any of the walk-in office hours listed above.

Please reach out to anyone of our teammates with any questions. Thank you, The Office of Federal Emergency Relief Programs